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Washington State Department of Ecology Surface Water Quality Standards Rule-making Workshop Implementation Tools Revisions

Affected Rule: WAC 173-201A (<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-201A>)

Goal of this rule-making:

- Develop and improve Surface Water Quality Standards (SWQS) implementation tools to keep entities in compliance while long-term work to fulfill Clean Water Act requirements is being carried out.

Workshop: December 13, 2012
Lacey Community Center
6729 Pacific Avenue SE, Lacey WA 98503

Driving Directions: [Map](#)

***Due to Carpenter Road's construction closure through January 31, 2012, please use the following alternate route:*

From Interstate 5, take Exit 109 to Martin Way. Go east on Martin Way approximately two miles to Kinwood Street. Turn right on Kinwood, and proceed one mile to Pacific Avenue. Turn right on Pacific Avenue and proceed one-third of a mile to the park. Turn left into the Community Center driveway.

Draft Agenda

9:00 - 9:15

- Room Opens
- Refreshments available: coffee, tea, water

9:15 – 9:30

- Welcome and Opening remarks – Eli Levitt, Facilitator (Ecology)
 - Kelly Susewind – Ecology's Water Quality Program Manager
 - Melissa Gildersleeve - Watershed Management Section Supervisor

9:30 – 10:30

- Proposed rule-making process and goals, how this rule-making fits with other current Ecology initiatives (fish consumption rate work, updates of the sediment management standards), and other related issues – Cheryl Niemi, Becca Conklin, Melissa Gildersleeve
- Group discussion

10:30 – 10:40

- Short break

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10:40 – 11:30

- Implementation tools currently in the SWQS and Ecology's proposed directions for changes – Cheryl Niemi
- Group discussion

11:30 – 12:30

- Lunch – Recommend that you bring a lunch – available restaurants or grocery stores require driving
- Ecology staff will remain in the meeting area and be available to answer questions or address issues as needed.

12:30 – 12:45

- Recap any issues from morning session or lunch hour that should be noted by the group

12:45 – 1:30

- The recent Oregon process of developing WQS implementation tools related to toxics updates – Jennifer Wigal and Andrea Matzke (Oregon Department of Environmental Quality)
- Questions/discussion

1:30 – 2:15

- EPA's observations and lessons from participation in Oregon's process and their subsequent review of implementation tools– Jannine Jennings and Matt Szelag (U.S. EPA, Region 10)
- Questions/discussion

2:15 – 2:45

- Recap: Discussion/comments about information presented and proposed rule-making process

2:45 – 3:00

- Next steps

3:00

- Adjourn